

Willow Bank Infant School Newsletter

From the Headteacher:

16th December 2016

We have come to the end of a very busy term! The children have finished their Christmas performances, we have had our Christmas meal and celebrated Christmas Jumper Day. We still have our Christmas party to go, and of course, a visit from a special guest all the way from the North Pole!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful, restful Christmas, and look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

Merry Christmas!

Michelle Masters

<u>December:</u>

Diary Dates:

19th

2:50pm Carols

20th

Morning: End of Term Party

January:

4th

Staff INSET day

5th

Children in at usual time

26th

E-Safety talk

February:

10th

Valentine's Cake Sale

From the Governors:

As we come to the end of the first term of this academic year we would like to take the opportunity to thank the children for all of their hard work. We have enjoyed watching them work during our Learning Walks with Mrs Masters, seeing their finished products on the walls and watching them perform to parents with such confidence throughout the term. It is always a long but exciting term for the children and we hope that they will enjoy the break. We would also like to thank all of you parents who continue to support your children and the school so well. It's wonderful to see such engagement whether on an individual basis or as a whole group such as the School Association. We hope that you enjoy some quality time with your children in the holidays. Finally, we'd like to publicly thank all of the staff for their continued dedication to the children and the school; new staff for understanding the ethos of and vision for the school so quickly and bringing new ideas to the school and established staff for being so accepting of changes and supportive of new colleagues. You too deserve a well earned break, which we hope that you will get. Finally we'd like to take this opportunity to say goodbye to Sarita Sharma. and a happy retirement! We also wish Suzie Davies all the best as she begins her maternity leave. Merry Christmas!

From the PTA:

Well done to the following children who won the cake decorating competition,

Foundation: Winner: Pippa Gorman, Runner Up: Isabella Rayner Year 1: Winner: Jayden Marson-Buckell, Runner Up: George King Year 2: Winner: Alfie Thompson, Runner Up: Jacob Bentley

All the cakes looked fantastic and the children had put a lot of effort into them. We have two unclaimed prizes from the Christmas Fayre, Yellow 88 and Green 17. Please let us know if you are the lucky winner.

Both of these events were a huge success and we would like to thank everyone who helped out and supported them. Without the volunteers these events would not be able to go ahead, so a huge thank you to everyone involved.

We have had a very busy first term, and are really pleased to announce we have raised a fantastic £3,471 this term.

This term the PTA have funded: Half of the total cost of the Elves and the shoemaker school trip, Christmas bunting for the classrooms, Christmas tree bauble gifts from Santa for every child, Pass the parcel for every class for the Christmas party, Hot wheels cars for Foundation and Mobilo for Foundation.

Dates for January:

Friday 6th January- Non uniform day, please bring in £1 Friday 27th January- Family film night

Tuesday 31st January- PTA meeting, 7.30pm.

Remember:

Please send your child in to school in **Party clothes** (with sensible shoes) on 20th December!

Message from School Immunisation Team

If your child missed having the nasal flu immunisation and you would still like him/her to receive this, please contact telephone this number 0118 9207525 to arrange for your child to be immunised in a community clinic. The school immunisation team works term time only, so any requests for appointments must be made during term time, and there will be clinics in January.

Please remember this immunisation is not available from the GP for children in this age group

Active Clubs Links:

Football: http://www.getactivesports.com/clubs/willow-bank-infant-school-tuesday-football-year-R-2/

Gymnastics: http://www.getactivesports.com/clubs/willow-bank-infant-school-wednesday-gymnastics-year-R-2/

Dance: http://www.getactivesports.com/clubs/willow-bank-infant-school-thursday-dance-years-r-2/